

Large Incidents - Oregon

Klondike Fire: (SA Red, IC Dueitt). The fire is at 117,458 acres (+2,054) and 51 percent contained. Most of yesterday's growth was in the Indigo Creek area. Aviation support continued, with favorable burning conditions supporting tactical firing operations that began late yesterday and continued today. Tactical firing operations are complete and holding on the west side, along the ridge between Saddle Mountain to Game Lake. To the north, where the fire has crossed Indigo Creek, crews have been working on tactical firing operations on Fishhook Peak to secure fire spread to the north, and are preparing a defensive contingency line to the northwest on Indigo Prairie. A few Level 3 evacuations remain in place with Level 2 evacuation orders for the community of Agness. The "Ride the Rogue" bike race remains on schedule for Sept. 8. Beginning Saturday at noon, Bear Camp Road will be closed to all non-fire traffic. This closure is due to tactical firing operations along Bear Camp Road. The road will remain closed until it is safe for public travel. More information is at: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5998/>.

Terwilliger Fire: NR Team, IC Connell is managing the 9,639-acre (+94) Terwilliger Fire with 35 percent containment. The fire is located on the Willamette National Forest near the Terwilliger (Cougar) Hot Springs and burning on both sides of Cougar Reservoir. Today, crews continued mop up and chipping operations along the north and west flanks, especially around the FS1986 road system. To the northeast, crews monitored fire spread and are finalizing preparations as the fire continues to slowly descend north toward FS1993. Crews to the south are holding existing containment lines and patrolling for spot fires. A low pressure trough will enter the area bringing lower temperatures, higher humidity values and increased winds at higher elevations. When making the turn into ICP this morning, a local unit FS engine was hit by a car. One engine crew member was checked for injuries, and the civilian driving the other vehicle was transported. Information can be found at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6160/>

Natchez Fire: NW Team 7, IC Knerr. The fire grew another 1,164 acres yesterday to the west and is now 31,273 acres and 70 percent contained. On the west side, the team is working to hold the fire on the east of El Capitan. The Cyclone Gap has been successfully burned out to curtail fire spread. On the north and east sides of the fire, continuing to hold the fireline and repair roads. The community of Sunstar remains under a Level 1 evacuation. Three additional residences are under an evacuation warning. There was smoke today but less than yesterday. A public meeting will be held Friday, 6 p.m., at Happy Camp. More information can be found at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5948/>.

*Updates will only be sent out over the weekend if significant activity occurs.

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